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Poloff delivered reftel demarche and diplomatic note on USG candidacy for the World Health Organization (WHO) Executive Board to Ayesha Borland, Western Hemisphere Desk Officer at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, on November 17. Ms. Borland indicated that Belize usually votes with the CARICOM group on WHO issues. Ms. Borland expressed appreciation for the USG support of the Barbados candidacy and that Belize places great importance on the presence of its regional candidate on the Board. Ms. Borland conveyed that support of its regional candidate (Barbados) is greatly appreciated and if such support is given by the USG, then Belize will reciprocate with support of the USG candidacy.

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